

ABSTRACT

A data recording medium 100 according to the present invention has a reproduction history management circuit (semiconductor tip) 101 built-in, which is employed for managing reproduction of a content in the data recording medium 100, thereby restricting digital output from a digital interface 204.

In the so-constituted data recording medium 100, highly reliable copyright protection can be provided when content information of the data recording medium 100 is digitally copied or outputted.